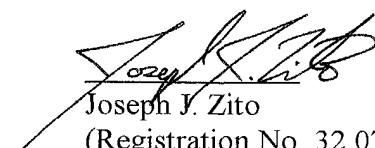


REMARKS

The preliminary amendment submitted herewith eliminates the multiple dependant claim in the original priority application.

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